

(b) if so, whether out of these three SEZs two are special SEZs that will only produce power and supply the same to other SEZs in the State;

(c) whether the fourth venture will be developed under India's infrastructure initiative, which is being jointly promoted by IDFC Ltd. and Feed Back Ventures; and

(d) if so, the details of these projects and what amount is to be spent for development of these projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) Only three out of four agreements signed by Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation (MIDC) with Infrastructure Development Finance Company Limited (IDFCL) are for development of Special Economic Zones (SEZs).

(b) Yes, Sir.

,(c) Yes, Sir. However, as per information available, the said project is for development of a New Airport and not for development of SEZ.

(d) As per information furnished by MIDC, the details are as below:

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Area in Hectares	Cost of Development (in Rs. Crores)
1.	Power SEZ, Bhadravati, Chandrapur	637.48	85.70
2.	Power SEZ, Usar, Raigad	103.00	15.91
3.	Textiles SEZ, Kagal, Kolhapur	104.09	14.07
4.	New Air Port, Sindhudurg	271.00	30.00

Postponement of SEZ Board meeting

885. SHRI RAM DAS AGARWAL:
SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

[7 March, 2007]

RAJYA SABHA

(a) whether it is a fact that the meeting of the SEZ Board slated for 19th January, 2007 was postponed indefinitely, putting over 90 proposals on hold;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether keeping in view the recent anti-SEZ protests in certain parts of the country, Government have announced the National Rehabilitation and Resettlement policy in respect of the people affected and the compensation required to be paid for land purchased;

(d) if so, the details of the proposed policy;

(e) by when final approval of Government is expected, and

(f) what would be the fate of already approved SEZs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) and (b) Yes Sir Various issues relating to Special Economic Zones (SEZs) including land acquisition have been placed before the Empowered Group of Ministers (EGOM; and pending decision by EGOM fresh approvals for setting up new SEIs and fresh notification? are presently not being issued.

(c) to (e) The Ministry of Rural Development is currently formulating a revised National Rehabilitation Policy 2007 with the objective to minimize displacement and to promote, as far as possible, non-displacing or least displacing alternatives, ensure adequate rehabilitation packages and expeditious Implementation of the rehabilitation process with the active participation, of the displaced persons. As and when the new policy is implemented, it will apply to acquisition of land for industrial projects including SEZs

(f) Miscellaneous proposals relating to the notified Special Economic Zones (SEZs) are considered by the Government regularly.